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## PHOENIX MAN INDICTED FOR BOMB THREAT TO FBI

**PHOENIX, ARIZONA** -- The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona, announced today that a federal grand jury at Phoenix, Arizona, returned a one count indictment against Charles J. Martin, 41, of Phoenix, Arizona.

The indictment alleges that on January 22, 2001 defendant called the Federal Bureau of Investigation claiming that there was a bomb planted at the Phoenix FBI office.

The federal indictment charges Charles J. Martin with violating Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 844(e), Maliciously Conveying False Information.

A conviction for Maliciously Conveying False Information carries a maximum penalty of 10 year(s), a \$250,000 fine or both.

An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and raises no inference of guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until competent evidence is presented to a jury that establishes guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The prosecution is being handled by Rachel C. Hernandez, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona. CASE NUMBER: CR-02-143-PHX

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